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FM AMEMBASSY SANTO DOMINGO

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SCUL

SUBJECT: PRESIDENT BALAGUER PURCHASES STATUE BY US SCULPTOR

1. AS DEPT AWARE, WE ARE ARRANGING FOR AN EXHIBITION IN THE DR OF SOME OF THE WORKS OF AMERICAN SCULPTOR, ROBERT RUSSIN, TO COINCIDE WITH THE OPENING OF THE NEW MUSEUM OF MODERN ART CURRENTLY UNDER CONSTURCTION HERE. DURING MARCH, RUSSIN HAD SHIPPED FROM HIS STUDIO IN ITALY TO SANTO DOMINGO A NINE-FOOT BRONZE STATUE ENTITLED "SPIRIT OF LIFE" AS PART OF HIS EXHIBIT.

2. THE EXISTENCE OF THIS STATUE IN SANTO DOMINGO CAME TO PRESIDENT BALAGUER'S ATTENTION RECENTLY. HE INSPECTED IT, PURCHASED AND PAID FOR IT. THE STATUE WILL BE INSTALLED IN THE MAIN FOUNTAIN IN FRONT OF THE PRINCIPAL ENTRANCE OF THE NATIONAL THEATER. AS FAR AS THE EMBASSY IS AWARE, THIS STATUE IS THE FIRST BY AN AMERICAN SCULPTOR TO BE PLACED ON PERMANENT, PUBLIC DISPLAY IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

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